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In re Application of:
Clavier et al
Application No. 09/830,685
Filed: July 21, 2001
For: Countermeasure Method in an Electronic
Component using a Secret Key
Cryptographic Algorithm

**DECISION ON PETITION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 TO
WITHDRAW HOLDING OF
ABANDONMENT**

This is a decision on the petition filed March 10, 2006 under 37 CFR § 1.181 requesting the withdrawal of the holding of abandonment of the above-identified application.


This application was held abandoned for failure to timely file a proper reply to the final rejection mailed on January 6, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on March 3, 2006.

In support of the petition, petitioner stated that on March 1, 2006 a petition decision was mailed out granting the withholding of abandonment which states that the office action of January 6, 2005, would be re-mailed out with a new period of response.

A review of the file reveals that the January 6th, 2005 office action was never re-mailed with a new response, therefore the mailing of the notice of abandonment on March 3, 2006 was improper and is hereby withdrawn.

For the above stated reasons, the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application is being forwarded to the Head SAE for re-mailing of the January 6th, 2005 office action.


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